

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 EA-10 ISO-00 JUSE-00 CA-01 /015 W  
-----041743 311047Z /10  
P 310724Z AUG 78  
FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4186  
INFO AMCONSUL SYDNEY PRIORITY

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EO 11652: NA  
TAGS: PFOR CPRS  
SUBJECT: EXTRADITION: JOHN HERBERT MEIER

REF: STATE 220964

1. EMBASSY DELIVERED NOTE TO DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS (DFA) CONTAINING DATA REFTEL AND REQUESTING  
PROVISIONAL ARREST ON SAME BASIS OF ORIGINAL REQUEST  
FOR PROVISIONAL ARREST.

2. EMBASSY REVIEWED APPLICABILITY ARTICLE 40, VIENNA  
CONVENTION, ASPECTS REFTEL WITH DFA. DFA'S COMMENT  
WAS: "DON'T NAIL US AGAIN ON THIS ONE; WE DID NOT AGREE  
WITH MAGISTRATE IN FIRST INSTANCE AND WILL LOOK INTO THIS  
SITUATION FORTHWITH." DFA SENDING IMMEDIATE TELEGRAPHIC  
INSTRUCTIONS TO TONGA CLARIFYING DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT STATUS  
OF MEIER. WHEN ARMED WITH CLEAR PROOF THAT MEIER IS  
NOT NOW IN POSSESSION OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT, DFA SAYS IT  
CONFIDENT MEIER WOULD THEN NOT SLIP THROUGH NET AGAIN ON  
BASIS OF RELEASE BY MAGISTRATE.

3. WILL REPORT FURTHER ON THIS DEVELOPMENT ALTHOUGH  
NOT LIKELY ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER  
1 (AUSTRALIAN TIME).  
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## Message Attributes

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